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THE POLITICIANS' LIMBO.

The Democratic Micawbers Getting Impatient.

THE GENERAL OUTLOOK.

Governor Tilden and Mayor Wickham to Act in Harmony.

GREEN'S LAST CARD.

The Proposed Charter Amendments and Their Probable Effect.

the general situation of affairs, and the impatient patriots who feel sure in their heart of hearts that their important services during the late campaign cannot be overlooked by the Mayor, and that, as a consequence, they are, one and all, booked in his mind for some good fat office where the work will be easy and the pay disproportionately large, are already beginning to show signs of marked dis-pleasure. What has added to the discontent of the office-seekers generally and their thousand and one followers in particular who are in dead earnest about getting work and are willing to work hard and well during the winter if they can get it, is the impression which seems to be settling down upon them that no changes whatever will be made in any of the departments until every effort has been made, by means of Albany legislation, to accomplish what it was the opinion of most people a month ago would be done by the Mayor and Governor during the first fortnight of the new administration. If the cowardly policy of getting rid of

UNDERLINED FOR EXECUTION, by legislative tinkering with the charter, can be made successful, in the opinion of some of the local leaders it would be a far better way of ringing out the old and ringing in the new than for the Mayor to raise up for himself in the future bitter enemies in his own political household, as he would, they say, certainly do if he went for the scalps of the republican Commissioners with his great "for cause" tomahawk. Be this as it may, what the rank and file seem to be troubling themselves about is the prospect of a "speedy" change. They claim, and with a good show of solid reason, that any attempt by Albany legislation to oust the men from office in this city who are inimical to the true democratic policy. even if the strongest guarantees of final triumph are made beforehand by a sufficient number of republican Senators, must be at best a very unatisfactory one; for, they add, even while there might be every prospect of such a measure as the Gross bill becoming a law, yet its passage in the Senate, for reasons which people can readily un-derstand who know anything about Albany "LOG ROLLING,"

and why Senators, who do not expect to be reelected next November, will not be ready to vote "all right" so early in the session, may be deferred until the very last week of the session. As, under the new constitutional amendments, there is no limit to the session of the Legislature, and \$1,500 will go a great way with men who have managed heretofore to keep the legislative ball rolling for upward of four months for \$300, it will be readily seen that if dependence for a change in the commissions in the city be placed alone on Albany legislation the chances are ten to one that there must be a long and a weary waiting in store for those worthy gentlemen who want to be compengated for valuable services rendered to the party. Still, although it cannot be denied that some of the leaders hope that the Gross or Costigan bill (the two bills are identical) will be passed some time during the next fortnight, there are many who think that the Mayor should not allow the probable late of, the measure to swerve him from exercising the power he now has, in conjunction with the Governor, or removing any officer who, in his opinion, ought not to be retained in the city government. Whether or not the assertion of some of the politicians is true, that the real cause

THE MAYOR'S DELAY in making a change where changes have been so long anticipated, is a desire on his part to know to a dead certainty what charm there is by difficulties which some people say are now in the way of a bold policy on his part, none but Mr. Wickham can definitely answer. It is known, at any rate, that he is heartily in favor of the Costigan bill, and, despite certain rumors to the contrary that once prevaited during the week, it is

the Governor. Up to the present time the friends of the bill in this city have done nothing further to advocate its passage than to advise the New York and other democratic members to vote for it; but not so with its opponents, the principal one of whom is Compitoller Green. This individual is prevented by the Mayor's circular order from going to Albany to lobby for himself; but during the past week he has had three men at the State capital who have seen working upon the "aympathies" of some of the republican Senators, and who will continue so to work until the fate of the measure has been settled in some way. One of these three loboyists is said to be under the guidance of Abe Van Vechten, and his special function it will be, while at Albany, to receive the confidential communications from his chief and a certain party in town nere, who lucratively commones the taient of the trickery of a committee lawyer. The third party is an employe of this city, and draws a good round salary for services which he is supposed to reneer for it. Green has found out at last that his little douge to deter Mr. Wickham, whom he knows is slowly but surely making ready to give him the "grand bounce," as the brows have it, from removing him, and which was the mousting and the town of the continue of a story to the effect that the flow of the city, and draws a good round salary for services which he are that the flow of the city and the flow of the city and the flow of the city and the flow of the city, and the flow of the city of the city, and the flow of the city of the city of the city and the flow of the city of the c

this necessity, he fest that it would not do to openly dismiss democrate to make way for republicans; but he did what he thinks will in the end serve him just as well as it he had dismissed them. His reduction order was made to apply simply to TAMMANY DEMOCRATS.

and the fifteen per cent reduction affects every Tammany man who is known to be a strong Kehy man. Even Colonel Your Dunisp, the city Treasurer, has been made a victim. Not one of the hundred and oad republicans under the department have been reduced a copper. By this sudden show of hands Green has in a manner declared war upon Tammany and has given her Keily and his iricads to understand that the Tammany men in his employ must, if they want to stay, live on starvation wages or get out of the way to make room for republicans who will get paid at the old rates, while the republican Senators are to rejoice in the lact that so long as they do as they are told their friends now in office with good prospects of the field beling enlarged for more of the same brood, even if a in the reduction of the Tammany men's salaries is necessary to make this thing certain. But Mi. Green, in the opinion of republicans as well as democrats who are well informed as to the outlook, and believe that his lobbying toy proxy at Albany, as well as this attempt of his to botster up his laining fortunes by a patronage bribery of Senators, will only basten his removal; for, should the bill which is meant to carry out the Governor's views as to 'home rule," as expressed in his Message, be usefeated by the Comptrolier's lobbying, the Mayor will not bestiate the very next day to remove nim from office, and the Governor would, it is thought only be too glad to approve the removal. It should not be taken lor granted, however, that

THE FATE OF THE COMPTROLLER

will depend exclusively upon the fate of the Costigan bill, and that if the passage of the bill be p-siponed to the end of the session his lease of official hie will be prolonged to that time. By no means. It is more than probable

harmony in the working of the city government.

Meanwhile the Fire Commissioners.

HOFING AGAINST HOPE,
against whom charges were preferred as long ago
as last December; the Corporation Counsel, who
sent in his defence to the charges made against
him early in the month, and the Police Commissioners, who have been booked for removal for nearly a month, and all the
other office-holders, good, bad and indifferent, who
know that they must, sooner or later, give way to
other, if not better, men, are hoping against hope
that nothing will be done by the Mayor until the
Legislature has settled the

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER,
and that these amendments, if adopted at all, will
not be adopted for months to come. But Mr.
Wickham, as has been intimated, may astonish
some of even the most hopeful ones in a very short
time. Said be to a gentleman, the other day, who
jocosely asked what time next winter the Fire
Commissioners' case would be decided, "What is
the use of doing things by piecemeal?"

Who knows, then, but when the next change is
made but that it will be a general change all along
the line? A thunder storm is more starting in its
effects thau an ordinary shower any day.

MAYOR WICKHAM'S APPOINTMENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-The opinion expressed by some of the city papers that Mayor Wickham intends to make his administration a partisan one is a gratuitous assumption. A grance at the present personnel of the municipal departments is sufficient to prove that there is no good ground for any such assertion. Mayor Wickham has been a month in office, and the city government, so far as the heads of de-partments are concerned, is thus composed:— Retained in office by the republican Legislature

1873:— Andrew H. Green, Comptroller, anti-Tammany, E. Deiafield Smith, Corporation Counsel, repub-George M. Van Nort, Commissioner
Works, republican.
Appointed by Mayor Havemeyer or Mayor Vance,
Anti-Tammany and republican:—
George W. Matsell, Commissioner of Police, antiTammany.
Abram Disbecker, Commissioner of Police, re-

publican.
General A. Duryee, Commissioner of Police,
Tammany democrat.
John R. Voornis, Commissioner of Police, antiTammany.

Tammany.

Isaac H. Bailey, President of Charities and Correction, republican.

Townsend Cox, Commissioner of Charities and Correction, independent.

Joseph L. Perley, President of Fire Commission, republican.

Cornelius Van Cott, Fire Commissioner, republican. lican.
Roswell D. Hatch, Fire Commissioner, anti-

Roswell D. Hatch, Fire Commissioner, anti-Tammany. Charles F. Chandler, Commissioner of Health De-partment, republican. Stephen Smith, Commissioner of Health, repub-lican. Henry G. Stebbins, President of Parks, republi-D. B. Williamson, Park Commissioner, anti-Thomas E. Stewart, Commissioner of Parks. liberal republican.

Jacob A. Westervelt, President of Dock Com-

ission, republican. William Budd, Commissioner of Docks, anti-Fammany.
Salem H. Wales, Commissioner of Docks, repub-Hoan.

John Wheeler, President of Taxes and Assess-

ments, independent.
George H. Andrews, Commissioner of Taxes and
Assessments, republican.
Severn D. Moulton, Commissioner of Taxes, and
Assessments, republican.
Walter W. Adams, Superintendent of Buildings, republican.
James L. Stewart, President of Excise, repub-

D. D. T. Marshall, Commissioner of Excise, republican. William H. Stiner, Commissioner of Excise, republican. Lindsay J. Howe, Commissioner of Accounts. republican.
Wyllis Blackstone, County Court House Com-

missioner, republican.
John P. Couming, County Court House Commissioner, democrat.
Thomas B. Tappen, County Court House Commissioner, democrat.
Smith E. Shaw, County Court House Commissioner, democrat. oner, republican. Henry H. Porter, Second District Court House Henry H. Potter, second District Court House Commissioner, democrat. Edward Berrian, Second District Court House Commissioner, Tammany democrat. William Dodge, Second District Court House Commissioner, anti-Tammany democrat. F. M. Bixby, Armories Commissioner, anti-

mmany. Charles Cowan, Armories Commissioner, republican.
M. J. Farrel, Supervisor of City Record, republican. can.
Appointed oy Mayor Wickham, Tammany dem-William H. Martin, Park Commissioner, republican.
Thomas S. Brennan, Commissioner of Charities and Correction, Tammany democrat,
John J. Westray, Commissioner of Accounts, in-

dependent.
Recapitulation:-Republican Commissioners in office, 23; Tammany democrats, 4: anti-Tammany democrats, 10; liberal republican, 1; independent, 3. Total anti-Tammany, 37. A STORMER.

MUNICIPAL NOTES.

A large number of the State Senators and Asemolymen called upon the Mayor yesterday afternoon and paid their respects.

Commissioner Van Nort received during the week for Croton water rent and penalties, \$8,029 71; tapping Croton pipes, \$43 56; sewer permits, \$50. He also transmitted to the Board of Assessors the certificates of the cost of the following improvements, in order that the assessment therefor may be made:—Regulating and grading 108th street, from Eighth avenue to Hartem River, \$112,921 21; sewer in Laight street, between Varick and Hudson streets, \$134,300. Total, \$114,264 21.

THE TICHBORNE TRIAL.

TOM CASTRO DESCRIBES HIS CONDITION IN DART-MOOR PRISON.

The London Englishman publishes a fac-simile of the Tichborne claimant's handwriting from Dartmoor prison. The letter is addressed to Mr. Ous-

moor prison. The letter is addressed to Mr. Onslow, and runs thus:

DEAR ONSLOW—Just a line to say I have been removed here. I cannot say much as I am limited to three subjects—namely, removal, health and a request for an answer; the latter I should think hardly necessary. I shall miss the kind and aumane officers I left benind me in Milbank. I feel the extreme coldness of this place very much. Double your efforts and ask my other friends to do the same, ere it is too late. Give my love to my wife and dear children, and kind rammheaness. bondle your enors and ask my other infents to do
the same, ere it is too late. Give my love to my
wife and dear children, and kind remembrances to
friends. Excuse this scrawl; I have no glasses and
so can't see what I am doing. Yours truly,

ROSER THOMAS CASTRO.

The joint committees of the National Rifle Association and Amateur Rifle Club having charge of the arrangements for the international rifle match met yesterday afternoon at 194 Broadway in order to push forward the business on hand. Colonel orge W. Wingate presided, and Colonel Gildereleeve, General Woodward, Gereral Molineux, leneral Shaler, Mr. P. P. Pairbanks, Mr. J. T. B. Collins, Mr. A. Alford, Mr. L. C. Bruce and Mr. D.

previous meeting were read and adopted the President read a letter which came enclosed with a handsomely engraved diploma of honorary membership to Colonel George W. Wingate, late Captain of the American Team.
A communication was also read from General

MacMahon, stating that it was impossible for him to attend a meeting at four P. M. on Saturdays, as he had another engagement at that hour.

The report of the Finance Committee was then read by General Woodward. It stated that Mr Alford, on behalf of Remington & Co., offered to furnish as much ammunition as might be required for the use of the team. Colonel Wingate was authorized to write to Sharp's Rifle Company to find what they intended to contribute. A sum of not less than \$6,000 would be required in order to pay the expenses of the ten men that it was proposed to send across. Colonel Wingate was authorized to prepare an address for general cir-culation, soliciting subscriptions to defray the expenses of the team. The arrangements for the departure, including steamer for friends of the team and music, are to be lest in the hands of a committee of one. The appointment of special committees as solicitors of subscriptions from the Stock

tees as solicitors of subscriptions from the Stock Exchange, Gold Room, Produce Exchange, Maritime Exchange, Chamber of Commerce and citizens at larke was recommended.

The committee then took up the above and passed on it, section by section, and the chair appointed the following committees:—Mr. Daniel W. Judd committee of one to arrange for an appropriate cerebration on the departure of the team, at an expense of not more than \$250; Mr. Bruce committee of one to prepare subscription books; General Woodward committee of one to solicit subscriptions from the Stock Exchange and Gold Room; Mr. Daniel W. Judd, in the Maritime Exchange; Colonel Glidersieeve, from the National Guard; Mr. Alford, from the gun interests; General Woodward rom the municipal government; Mr. J. T. B. Collins, from the Unamoer of Commerce; Mr. S. C. Bruce, from the Produce Exchange, and Colonel Wingate, from the judiciary. Colonel Wingate then stated that he wished it distinctly understood that his professional engagements would not allow of his taking any active part in the arrangements, and that he would not be able to go across with the team.

Colonel Wingate then read the following address, and, on motion, it was ordered printed for general distribution.

An Address To The Patriotic.

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An ADDRESS TO THE PATRIOTIC.

New York, Feb. 1, 1875.

In November, 1873, the "Irish Team," whose success in winning the celebrated Eloho Shield at Wimbledon had constituted them the champions of Great Britain, published a challenge to American riflemen to shoot had match for the championship of the world with American rifles against their celebrated Rigbys.

Although the extreme distances and the rules as to weapons and position were new to American marksmen, the Amateur Rifle Club of this city boidly accepted the challenge. Not only were they simost wholly inexperienced, but no rifles were then made in America which could compete, under the terms of the match, with those used by the Irish. But in the brief period before the match took place our manufacturers had succeeded in turnishing them with the necessary weapons and the rifles were victorious by a score previously unparalicled. On the announcement of the result another challenge was published on behalf of the Irish Toam, to shoot a return match in Dublin, in June next. The expenses of the previous match had been heavy and had been borne almost entirely by the members of the Amateur Rifle Club, who were comparatively few in number. They naturally hesitated before assuming the responsibility of undertaking to send a team of riflemen across the Atlantic. Relying, however, upon the representatives of the previous and their riched state the honor of the country required that the challenge should not be rejected and that they not also send their riched that the honor of the country required that the challenge should not be rejected and that they are the professed the profered challenge, not on their own behalf but as the representatives of the preliminary practice by the team in the matches in which they shall be selected—in which make make an interest to make a proper appearance abroad, the only a compete—their outil, passage and expenses to Europe, have all to be provided for, as they c

MARTIN T. MACMAHON, E. L. MOLINEUX, ALEXANDER SHALER,

A resolution was then passed changing their regular meetings from Saturday at four P. M. to Friday, at four P. M. The meeting then adjourned.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

SWEEPSTAKES DECIDED ON LONG ISLAND-A DAY OF PLEASANT SPORT AND EXCELLENT

of this section assembled at Dexter's, on the Jamaica road, Long Island, yesterday afternoon, to take part in a sweepstakes open to all comers, the conditions being \$25 entrance, 25 birds each, 25 yards rise, any gun, 1% ounce shot and English rules to govern. There were also a large number disseminated that many of the more noted professional and amateur shots within easy distance of the place would be on hand. In the number of these gentlemen they were disappointed-the storm of Friday, no doubt, keeping many awayyet in the character of the shooting everybody was given a treat which was heartily relished.

Five entered for the sweep, their names and the guns used being as follows:—Ira A. Paine, of New York, Grant eleven-bore muzzle-loader; Dr. Walter Ireland, of Brooklyn, Scott ten-bore breech toader: Dr. Talbot, of New York (maker unknown), smallbore muzzle-loader; Dr. "Atkinson," of Brooklyn, Scott ten bore breech-loader; W. E. "Bergen," of Brooklyn, Greener ten-bore muzzle-loader. With are well known, and the latter appeared for the first time in this country to test his skill in company with others. His gun, though perhaps not an inferior article, was of quite small bore, and he could only use an ounce of shot with any degree of prudence, though the rules allowed him one and a quarter ounces. His shoeting was of that character, however, to favorably commend him to the notice of the fraternity. The day could not be surpassed for the sport, a bright sunsaine temper-ing to almost mildness the wintry atmosphere, and, there being but little wind to help the birds, good scores were predicted. This result was realized, though it must be stated the birds were

only an average lot.

Paine went first to the score, and, being in good form and shooting with commendable caution, did very excellent execution, killing twenty-four out of the twenty-five burds, which gave him \$7.5, the first money. Ireland was the second shooter. He cus down ten straight, missed his eleventh, then killed two, let go the lourieenth and filteenth, scored the sixteenth and seventeenth, missed the eightseata, and knocking the residue stone dead, gave him as killed twenty-one out of the twenty-five. In the matter of the score "Bergen" stands next. He missed clean but one bird in the whole number, did not score as killed out twenty-one, his third, twelfth and thirteenth falling dead out of bounds, which gave him twenty-one out of the twenty-five, and freiand and he making a tie for the second money, \$50, they divided it. Next comes Dr. "Atkinson" in number of killed. He was credited with twenty out of the twenty-five, Lasily, the new comer, Dr. Talbot, appears on the list, having cut down eighteen and missing seven up under the Long Island rules, \$5 entrance, five birds each. Entered for this were Paine, 27 yards; Schmeek, 22 yards; Wanters, 22 yards; Talbot, 22 yards; "Bergen," 24 yards; Wynn, 22 yards; Tralbot, 22 yards; "Bergen," 24 yards; Wynn, 22 yards; Ireland, 24 yards. "Bergen," and Ireland each killed their five, when they divided \$36, first and second moneys. To secure the third premium, but \$5, there was a lively contact between Paine and Wynn, who had each missed their second oird and retired, but, again coming in under the rule, shot at seven additional birds before the pailty sum was decided, Paine at last leaving of "second best" in the little tilt.

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Chables E. Dentre's Grounds of the Long Island Shooting Club, Near East New York, Ja L. 180, 30, 1875, Pignon Shooting. Sweep-

THE INTERNATIONAL RIFLE MATCH.

THE JOINT COMMITTEES MAKING ARRANGEMENTS
FOR THE VISIT OF THE TEAM TO IRELAND.

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Dr. Walter Ireland (B)-11111. 1* 1* 1 1 1. 0 1100, 11011, 1* 1 111* 1. Total, 25; killed, 21; W. E. "Bergen" (M) -1 1 07 1 1, 1 1* 1 1 1*, 1 07 0 1 1, 1 1* 1 1 1*, 1 1 1* 1 1 1 0. Total, 26; killed,

THE NEW YORK YACHT CLUB.

The annual meeting of the members of the New York Yacut Club will be held next Thursday evening in their club house, on the corner of Twentytion of the members will be given more especially to the annual election of officers, and, as the present officers have in several instances tendered their resignation, a nearly new ticket will have to be elected. The candidates that have been talked of in regard to the office of Commodore are Mr. Kingsland, of the Alarm, and Mr. or in regard to the office of Commodore are
Mr. Kingsland, of the Alarm, and Mr.
Thomas, of the Rambier. Both these gentlemen are well known yachtsmen and
own large and commodous yachts. The
admirers of Grant's civil service policy will probaby give their support to Mr. Kingsland, who now
holds the rank of Rear Commodore. Mr. William
T. Garner, the owner of the Magic and a large
centre-board schooner now in course of construction, is the only candidate for the office of
Vice Commodore. Mr. Garner will make an excellent Vice Commodore, as he is thoroughly imbued
with the yachting fever, and in case of the absence of the Commodore would do credit to the
position he would be called upon to fill. Mr.
Alexandre, of the sloop Vision, and Mr. Kane, of
the schooner Restless, are both spoken of in
connection with the office of Rear Commodore, but the support of the majority
of yacht owners will probably be given
to Mr. Alexandre, as the two other offices going to
schooner owners it would be Judicious to divide
the honors and give the sloops a representative.
The office of facet surgeon will go to either Dr.
Dawson made the cruise two years ago with
Resr Commander Kingsland, and will probably
run on that gentieman's ticket. Secretary Charles
A. Mluton has been so long in harness, and proved
such a very efficient officer, that he will, doubtless, be re-eiected without opposition.

There is a prospect of a lively yachting season, less, be re-elected without opposition.

There is a prospect of a lively yachting season, and a cruise to Portland is talked of.

A COCKING MAIN.

LONG ISLAND VS. WESTCHESTER-LONG ISLAND

The "fancy." both of Westchester and Lon-Island, have been on the qui vice for the past two weeks in anticipation of a cocking main, to be fought between Westchester and Long Island The affair has created a great deal of excitement, as this main was to decide the championship between the two counties, two battles having been won by each. On Friday night last, at a well known sporting house in the town of Newtown, there had congregated over two hundred admirers of this sport, ranging from police justices down to Brooklyn "sport" was chosen referee and the first was commenced. In the first round a red (Westchester) and a black (Long Island) were pitted. After a fierce struggie the black was pierced and a victory declared for Westchester. Long Island won the eight succeeding rounds, amid deafening applause. The tenth, eleventh, fourteenth, fifteenth and seventeenth were won by Westchester, and the remaining of the twenty-seven battles were won by Long Island. It is estimated that over \$500 crossed hands, the odds being on Westchester. The last round, which was between two reds, iasted nineteen minutes and thirteen seconds, and ended with a victory for Long Island. Officers Briggs, Fields and Williams, three of Bergh's men learned of the main when it was too late; but hearing that a repetition of the affair was to take place at one McGillan's saloon, corner of Cariton avenue and the Bonlevard, Brooklyn, immediately repaired there. They found that the fight had not commenced, but they captured three cocks, demolished the pit and arrested ine proprietor. Brooklyn "sport" was chosen referee and the

NEW YORK CITY.

The police during the past week arrested 1,241 persons for various offences.

There were reported for the week ending at 578 deaths, 507 births, 125 mar-

riages and 40 still births. Over 300 applicants are waiting for appointment on the police force. Many of these are citizens of about eight days' standing. Gambling is going on quietly throughout the

city, although Commissioner Voorhis thinks it has been stopped. There are two day games open in Ann street. The opening of the Grand Lodge Room of the Masonic Temple, corner of Sixth avenue and

fwenty-third street, will take place on Tuesday Complaints made by policemen against citizens for violating the corporation ordinance in regard

to cleaning sidewalks of snow and toe are usually tried the summer following the offence. A fair in aid of the funds of the Young Men's Universalist Association will commence next

Monday evening, at Republican Hall, Thirty-third street, near Broadway. It will be open every even-The Charity Ball will take place at the Academy of Music on Thursday evening, February & The

boxes have all long since been engaged, but tickets can yet be had of the managers and at Delmoni-co's, corner Fourteenth street and Fifth avenue. Ninety-seven cases of smallpox were sent to the Riverside Hospital, on Biackwell's Island, during the past week. Four Sisters of Charity visite the hospital yesterday, and these ladies will begin the task or nursing the patients there on Wednesday next.

The health authorities have commenced pro eedings against the owner of the house on northeast corner of Madison avenue and Pitty-fourth street, for allowing snow and ice to remain on the sidewalk all the winter to the great danger

A stated meeting of the New York Historical Society will be held at the library, in Second avenue, corner of Eleventh street, on Tuesday next, at eight o'clock P. M., precisely. Rev. P. J. Dealy, S. J., will read a paper on "The First Catholic Mission in New York."

A public meeting will be held at Association street, to-morrow evening, under the auspices of the Young Lades' Christian Association. Mr. Morris K. Jesup will preside, and addresses will be delivered on "Woman's Work" by Rev. William Adams, D. D.; Mr. Whitelaw Reid, and Mr. William E. Dodge, Jr.

A woman giving her name as Schaeffer has at various times applied to business men in this and adjoining cities for money with which to bury ber child, whom she reports as having died in the Hospital for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippied. She is pronounced an impostor by the officers of the institution in question, which has always made ample provision for the burial of all children whose parents are too poor to meet the expenses.

A young man representing himself as a cierk of E. Waitens & Co., of Nos. 14 and 16 John street,

E. Waitens & Co., of Nos. 14 and 16 John street, presented a bill for \$495 to Mr. Linderstein, of West Washington Market, yesterday, stating that Mr. Jacob Hess, Assemblyman for the Twenty-ninth district, a partner of Mr. Linderstein, had purchased goods from his house for that amount. Mr. Linderstein gave a check for the amount of the bill, but afterward finding out the man was a swindler had it stopped.

A new law library is to be established in the Controlle, Ruilding, No. 120. Preadway, Market.

Equitable Building, No. 120 Broadway, which, when the new additions are complete, will have a when the new additions are complete, will have a tenantry of over 100 lawyers. Each of these will make a small annual contribution, and will ionn to the common library books of which they may have duplicates. These, it is calculated, will form, in rooms set apart for that purpose of the Equitable Company, a more complete and convenient law library than exists elsewhere in the city.

No changes have yet been made in the Custom House respecting the retrenchment of expenses by the discharging of some of the employes. Col-lector Arthur has not arrived from Washington, but his presence is hourly expected, as no mate-rial alterations can be made in his absence. The

spected by numbers of connoiseeurs, jewellers and others. They will remain here until the arrival of the Collector, when they will be forwarded to Mrs. Pitch at Washington.

BROOKLYN.

The receipts for taxes last week amounted to \$363,519.

There were 327 arrests recorded by the Clerk of Arrests Mr Williams last week The Board of Assessors yesterday confirmed

the assessments for widening St. Mark's avenue and for opening Eliery street, A couple of burglars were discovered yesterday

morning while in the act of breaking into the tailor establishment No. 33 Atlantic street, and managed to make good their escape. It has been discovered that some ruffian is engaged in distributing obscene pamphlets among young people on the Lake at Prospect Park, and the police are endeavoring to arrest the villain.

The Board of Commissioners of Charities have appointed Drs. John Ambrose and C. F. Young, visiting physicians for the Eastern and Western districts, respectively, at a salary of \$1,500 per The Board of Audit has appointed L Seaman

Chief Clerk, and T. Brigham and S. Van Buren assistant clerks of the new Bureau of Examination.
Their duty will be to examine the accounts of the various branches of the city government. Mary Connelly, a domestic, who has been only

three months in the country, gave birth to a child at No. 48 Pirst street, yesterday, and threw the infant into a sink on the premises. It was recovered and taken to the Eastern District Hospital in company with its unfortunate mother, who is only eighteen years of age.

The terpsichorean event of the season with the

Mite of Brooklyn will be the Charity Ball, which is to be held at the Academy of Music, on Monday evening. February 8. The proceeds will be applied to the support of the Homeopatine Hospital, and the affair is under the patronage of Governor Tiden, Mayor Hunter, ex-Lieutenant Governor S. L. Woodford, James S. T. Stranahan, W. W. Goodrich, John P. Arkinson, L. B. Wyman, H. W. Hunt, W. H. Sage, General Slocum, C. A. Townsend, H. Willis, M. D.; Jeremian P. Robinson, John B. Norris, R. A. Granniss, L. S. Burnham, James B. Ames and others. to be held at the Academy of Music, on Monday

LONG ISLAND.

The Long Island City police and school teachers will be paid on Wednesday. Five months' pay is due them. The unpaid taxes of Newtown for 1870, which

will require legislative enactments to collect, amount to \$70,000. The causi boat Pegg Low, which was sunk near

the Bissville Bridge, Newtown Creek, by the tug R. W. Burge, a short time ago, has been raised. The freezing up of the Great South Bay has had the effect of making the winter oyster crop a very light one. Thousands of ceis, however, are taken in the creeks through the ice, and the bay men are

The confidential clerk of J. D. Barton, Superin, tendent of the Flushing, North Side and Central tendent of the Flushing, North Side and Central railroads, was arrested yesterday on a charge of embezzling money from the company, preierred by Mr. Herman roppenhusen. The warrant upon which he was arrested charges him with stealing \$130. Two otner warrants have been issued, charging him with embezzling at different times sums larger and smaller than \$100. The young man is a resident of Brooklyn and very highly connected, his father being a wealthy merchant doing business in New York. He will have a hearing tomorrow.

A shocking case of "social equality" bas inst come to light at Eaton's Neck, L. I. The facts, as given before Judge Conkling, of that place, are as given before Judge Conking, of that place, are as follows:—A negro in the employ of William Gardiner, named Jack Pordzier, took advantage of a little girl only fifteen years old, also a servant in the employ of Mr. Gardiner, and succeeded in leading her from the path of virtue. The girl states that he made overtures to her over seven montan ago, from which time to within a week he has continued, until at last she was compelled to conless her shame. At a trial the girl positively swore against the negro and he was held in \$500 bail to contribute a weekly sum for the support of the child, should it prove to be colored. Mr. Gardiner, his employer, became his bondsman and he was suffered to go at large, while the girl became a charge upon the county for the taxpayers to support.

WESTCHESTER.

Another council of the Sovereigns of Industry has been organized at Ashford. The people of Mount Vernon are again agitated over a rumor that the New Haven Ratiroad Com-pany is about to remove the passenger depot from its present site.

In the equalization of assessments the Board of

Supervisors have tacked on to the city of Yonkers an increase of \$875,227 ever the assessment of last year. The taxpayers are now in a quandary as to what they are going to do about it.

A movement is on foot looking to the immediate organization of a sportsmen's club for the better preservation of game and fish throughout the county, and it is understood that an act of incorporation for the society will be submitted to the Legislature in the course of a few days. The public mind at Yonkers seems to be reluc.

posed reservoir for supplying that city with pure water will be located on the Grassy Sprain brook, despite the vigorous opposition which has been offered to the utilizing of that stream for the pur-The real estate owned by the Catholic Pro-

tectory, at Westchester, was assessed last year for \$15,000, and the tax thereon paid under protest. \$15,000, and the tax thereon paid under protest. This year the legality of the assessment has been disputed, the institution named claiming to be exempted from taxation under a special act passed by the Legislature in April, 1866. While the Board of Supervisors was in session recently application was made in behalf of the Protectory for a remission of the tax levied and collected last year, the matter oeing finally referred to the County Juage for decision. It is understood that Judge Chifford decided that in view of the existing statute the property had been illegally assessed, and that the tax collected should be refunded by the town. The town authorities, however, are dissatisfied with this adverse decision and intend taking the question into a higher court for final settlement. The property of the Protectory is said to be worth about \$600,000.

NEW JERSEY.

Mr. Manning M. Knapp, the newly appointed Judge to succeed Governor Bedle, will take his seat on the bench in the Hudson County Court to-morrow morning.

A bill has been prepared for presentation to the

Legislature abolishing all turnpike roads in Hudson and Essex counties. The bill was prepared by instructions from the Boards of Chosen Freehold-ers of these counties. The unfortunate man (John Gilmore) who was

crushed by a locomotive on the Eric Railway, at the Provost street crossing, in Jersey City, had been put off a Hoboken horse car because he was unable to pay his lare. He then undertook to steal a ride on a freight train, when he fell back, was run over and killed. The seminary at St. Mary's Hall, Burlington,

some time ago, has not been closed. The daily services have been kept up without interruption, and several pupils have continued in the school, with a full staff of teachers. Many of the pupils who were withdrawn are now convalescent. A great improvement for Jersey City will be de

cided on to-morrow at a joint meeting of the Board of Public Works and a committee of the Board of Chosen Fresholders. The Washington street bridge, connecting the New Jersey Central Railroad depot with the city, is to be at last constructed. The Board of Public Works will build the abutments and the Board of Fresholders will erect the superstructure,

Richard Cole, colored, alias Uncle Dick, the

most noted black man of Bitzabeth, died recently. He was known of all Elizabethans as the first black man ever elected to an office in Union county. He was twice chosen poundmaster, each time beating a white man. He lived irugally, and died leaving to the State, in bank, between \$2,000 and \$3,000. He had neither wife, child nor relative. He was a model of honesty and in his sixty-lith year.

The Finance Committee of the Newark Board of Education estimates that the total cost of conduoting the public schools of that city during the year 1875 will be \$205,775. Of this sum \$166,000 is for teachers' salaries, \$10,000 for janitors, \$2,500 for superintendents, and \$10,000 for repairs on school houses. The amount available from balance, State two mill tax, &c.. is \$140,000, so that \$65,000 is only to be provided by city tax ordinance. The Board refuses to allow janitors to live in the schools.

Another Bay Ridge affair occurred at Beverley yesterday morning. Three tramps broke into the house of Mr. Joseph Parker, through a second story window. They made such a noise that they awakened Mr. Parker's son. He jumped up and aw one of the thieven climbing the grape arbor. He thereupon fired two shots, one of which must have taken effect, as he saw the man had been carried off by his companions, as bloody tracks were seen for some distance from the house.

RYAN'S FARM

Columbus Ryan's Hald on the Central Park-How Comptroller Green Fixed Things for Rim.

Park Commissioner Martin's View of the Matter.

Mr. William R. Martin, Commissioner of Public Parks, has rendered an opinion addressed to the Park Commission in reference to the double holding by Superintendent Ryan of his office and contract for furnishing refreshments in the

At a hearing given to Mr. Ryan on the 26th inst he appeared by counsel and contended that he had the right to hold both office and contract, arguing that the contract was in the nature of a license and not of a lease, and, if it were a lease, that having entered into the contract before he was appointed an officer, there has been no violation of the provision of the charter.

The facts, Mr. Martin says, are as follows:-- Hvan was employed as Superintendent of the Parks, under authority given on 28th November, 1871. and on the 6th March, 1872, his salary was fixed at \$5,000 per annum. On 2d November, 1872. Mr. Andrew H. Green, then Commissioner of the Department, offered the following resolution :-

partment, offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the treasurer be authorized to execute a license with Columbus Ryan for the exclusive privilege to sell retreshments on the Central Park for a terms of five years from November 1, 1872, and that the sum to be paid for said privilege to be an amount not exceeding ten per cent nor less than five per cent of the gross amount of sales, as shall be determined from time to the Board; said licerse to contain all yecessry restrictions to insure to the Board the proper control of the said business, and to be submitted to the Board for approval before execution.

Mr. Martin grates that under this resolution and Mr. Martin states that under this resolution and a subsequent one of November 6 the rate of per-

centage to be paid was fixed by Mr. Whittemore, as treasurer, and approved on the 10th of February, 1873. The lease was, in fact, executed on the 28th of February, 1878. Under section 117 of the charter of 1873 the term of office held by Mr. Ryan ceased and determined when the Board should appoint another in his place. The Board reappointed him on the

27th October, 1873. Since then he has performed the duties of his office and received the salary therefor down to the 1st December, 1874, and has not received the salary since. Under his contract he has occupied a part of the buildings at Mount St. Vincent, the Casino and in all other places where the refreshment business is carried on in the Central Park, and has returned as his gross receipts and paid the percentage thereon the following sums:—

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2. That he has no right to his office or its salary.

3. That his contract is not now in force.

First—The folist section of the charter of 1873 had for its purpose the correction of an abuse. Similar profibitions, though not so precisely defined, had existed in the previous charters of the city (chap. 122, 1830, secs. 11 and 18; chap. 137, 1870, sec. 115; Laws 1849, p. 483, sec. 19, and at considerable length he argues in his report to show that the charter has been violated by Ryan.

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Under the resolution offered by Mr. Green, on the 2d of November, 1872, this instrument Mr. Martin points out was framed, not by the Corporation Counsel nor by the counsel of Mr. Ryan, but by Mr. Whittemore, then the Secretary of the Board. The prohibition then in force (section 11), charter of 1870) was similar to the 101st section of the charter of 1873, except that the word "lease" was not contained in it; but by the Laws of 1858, chapter 771, section 7, the Commissioners of the Central Park were empowered to lease buildings within the Park, from year to year only. If this instrument had been drawn in the naul terms of a lease it could not have been, as it is, for five years, but only from year to year. In this may be found the reason why the usual terms of a lease were avoided, and the purpose was accomplished by an anomalous instrument. The general principles of public policy lilustrated by the accise then existing, which six months later caused the introduction of the word "lease" in this section of the charter of 1873, were disregarded.

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On the bearing given him Mr. Rvan claimed that the instrument by which he had been given the reirestiment business was a license and not a lease; but Mr. Martin says that, whatever interpretation may be placed upon it, it is were a question between the parties, is immaterial upon the broader views here presented. Contrasted, hesays, with every other mode by which one can use and occupy and pay for the premises of another: this instrument comes within the established legal definition of a lease. Its substance and the actions of the parties under it give it more significance than its mere phraseology. A thing cannot be made something different from what it is be made something different from what it is merely by naming it so. This instrument is none the less a lease for the attempt by the skillful uso of words to give it the color of a license. The following conclusions are reached by Mr. Martin:—

Martin:

First-That from the 27th October, 1873, Mr., Ryan has not been, nor can he be, an officer in this department. The office of Superintendent of Parks has been, since then, vacant, and he cannot receive the salary therefor.

Second—His contract, whether yold totally or not, terminated on the 2d November, 1873, and is open to any action the department may take thereon.

A STONECUTTERS STRIKE.

About six weeks ago the Brown Stonecuters Association, of which Richard K. Power is president, issued an order that, in consequence of paying under wages, the abop of Messrs. Tate & Os-borne, East River, Ninety-first and Ninety-second streets, should be closed to the members of the association. On the 14th of December President Power issued a note directed to John Raynolds, shop steward of said shop, and the men employed by the firm, stating that the firm having paid him \$100 the closing order was withdrawn and the men would be allowed to resume work. Men men would be allowed to resume work. Men engaged in this trade receive, by the rules of the association, \$4.50 per day of eight hours, and take an obligation not to work for less wages or more hours, and to report to the association all who may do so. Last Saturday week was pay day, and the men were all paid in full. On Monday last one man came to the shop, stating that he had worked one day for which he had not been paid, and demanded \$5.30. This the firm refused to pay. He reported to the president of the association, and at moon word was sent to the men to quit work, which they all did. Yesterday after a formal meeting of the association a demand was made by its officers on Tate & Osborne for \$200 before the shop would be allowed to proceed with work. This was refused. Thus some thirty-six men lose their income, and in turn stop the labor of more than one hundred, whose work ceases for want of the cut stone.

ST. VINCENT'S HOME FOR BOYS.

EARL ROSEBERY'S RECENT VISIT TO PATRICE DRUMGOOLE'S INSTITUTION. NEW YORK, Jan. 30, 1875. Not having seen a notice of the last visit of this distinguished nobleman to St. Vincent's Home for

Boys, No. 58 Warren street, in any paper, I beg leave to call your attention to it. I think such an act of condescension and kindness on his part de-serves public notice. He visited the Home at halfpast nine o'clock on Monday evening, and was received by Pather Drumgoole in the kindest and most affectionate manner. The boys bailed his entrance into the room with loud acciemations of time, which he seemed to enjoy very much, hav-ing applanded them frequently. His elegant and ing applauded them frequently. His elegant and unostentations manner indicates at once nobility of heart as well as nobility of birth. The Earl, though not yet twenty-eight years old, is growing fast in popularity among his own people. At present he ranks among the most distinguished noblemen of England for wealth, learning, ability, liberality of principle and sympathy with the working classes at home and abroad, as is seen by the magnificent address see delivered in Glasgow last September before the Social Science Congress, of which he is president. His greatest desire relative to the future of his proteyd, little "Pat," is that he may persevere in his studies and become an industrious, intelligent and bouorable citizen of the United States. After spending over half an hour in the house he took his departure, and was conducted to the carriage by the pasior, amid the opens of the 200 children present, and, after a few moments' conversation, he bade Pather. Drumgoole an affectionate farewell. He sailed for Europe at nine o'clook on Wednesday evening. Yours respectively.